

Memorandum # 40/2006

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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Retirement Boards

FROM: Robert A. Dennis, Investment Director

RE: Tobacco Company List

DATE: October 16, 2006

On October 22, 1997 PERAC Memo #37/1997 informed you of the adoption of Chapter 119 of the Acts of 1997. That statute prohibits retirement systems from making any new investments in stocks, securities, or other obligations of any company which derives more than 15% of its revenue from the sale of tobacco products. On December 18, 1997 PERAC sent Memo #48 regarding the implementation of Chapter 119 and the first Tobacco Company List.

Enclosed please find a Tobacco Company List dated October 2006. This list replaces any other Tobacco Company List previously sent to your board and is effective upon receipt by the retirement boards. Most of these companies appeared on previous lists and such investments were prohibited from the time the companies first appeared on the list. Please forward a copy to your investment advisors or inform them that this list is available on the PERAC Home Page under the Investment Unit's 2006 Memo Index.

As part of its audit process, PERAC will assess the portfolio of each board to determine compliance. That review will determine if the board, after January 13, 1998, has purchased stock, securities, or other obligations of any company which derives more than 15% of its revenue from the sale of tobacco products. In the event a portfolio is not in compliance, the board must bring the portfolio into compliance by divesting in a prudent manner. Prior to taking any action, the board shall consult with PERAC.

In applying the statute to pooled funds, PERAC will assess the 15% rule against the entire pool as the board is purchasing shares in the pool not the individual holdings of the pool. Thus a pooled fund, if in violation of this standard, will be included on the list.

If you have any questions, please call me at 617-666-4446 ext. 922.

Enclosure

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TOBACCO COMPANY LIST October 2006

COMPANY	COUNTRY
Alliance One International, Inc.	United States
Altria Group, Inc.	United States
AMCON Distributing Company	United States
American Way Business Development Corporation	United States
Caribbean Cigar Company	United States
Carolina Group	United States
Core-Mark Holding Co., Inc.	United States
Delek Resources, Inc.	United States
Evolve One, Inc.	United States
iCommerce Group Inc.	United States
Loews Corporation	United States
M&F Worldwide Corporation	United States
Niche Resources, Inc.	United States
Noble Brands, Inc.	United States
North Atlantic Trading Company	United States
Pantry, Inc. (The)	United States
Reynolds American, Inc.	United States
Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc.	United States
Star Scientific, Inc.	United States
Universal Corporation	United States
UST Inc.	United States
Vector Group, Ltd.	United States
Alpha Tobacco Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	Bangladesh
British American Tobacco Bangladesh Co. Ltd.	Bangladesh
Souza Cruz SA	Brazil
Asenovgrad BT	Bulgaria
Blagoevgrad BT	Bulgaria
Bulgartabak Holding	Bulgaria
Dupnitza BT	Bulgaria
Haskovo BT	Bulgaria
Plovdiv BT	Bulgaria
Shoumen BT	Bulgaria
Sofia BT	Bulgaria
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc.	Canada
Rothmans, Inc.	Canada

<u>COMPANY</u> <u>COUNTRY</u>

Compania Chilena de Tabacos SA Chile

Mudanjiang Hengfeng Paper Co., Ltd. China Shanghai Industrial Holdings China

Compania Colombiana de Tabaco SA Colombia

Adris Grupa d.d. Coratia
Tvornica Duhana Zagreb Croatia

Philip Morris CR AS Czech Republic

Eastern Tobacco Company Egypt

British American Tobacco (Ghana) Ghana

Hellenic Duty Free Shops S.A.

Karelia Tobacco Co. SA

Greece
Keranis Holdings S.A.

Greece

Godfrey Phillips India Ltd.

GTC Industries Ltd.

India
I.T.C. Ltd.

India
Kothari Products Limited
RTCL Ltd.

VST Industries Ltd.

India
India
India
India

PT B.A.T. Indonesia
PT Bentoel Internasional Investama Tbk
Indonesia
PT Gudang Garam Tbk
Indonesia

Jerusalem Cigarette Israel

Societe Ivoirienne des Tabacs Ivory Coast

Carreras Group Ltd. Jamaica

Japan Tobacco Inc. Japan Seven & I Holdings Co. Ltd. Japan

International Tobacco & Cigarette Company Ltd. Jordan Union Tobacco Jordan

<u>COMPANY</u> <u>COUNTRY</u>

British American Tobacco Kenya, Ltd. Kenya

British American Tobacco Bhd Malaysia JT International Bhd Malaysia

Grupo Carso, SA de CV Mexico

Khyber Tobacco Company Ltd.PakistanLakson Tobacco Company Ltd.PakistanPakistan Tobacco Co. Ltd.PakistanSarhad Cigarette Industries Ltd.Pakistan

Distell Group Ltd. South Africa Remgro Limited South Africa

KT&G Corporation South Korea

Altadis SA Spain Compania de Distribucion Integral Logista, SA Spain

Ceylon Tobacco Co. Ltd. Sri Lanka

Swedish Match Sweden

Compagnie Financiere Richemont AG Switzerland

President Chain Store Corporation Taiwan Taiwan FamilyMart Co., Ltd. Taiwan

Tanzania Cigarette Company Tanzania

West Indian Tobacco Company Ltd.

Trinidad and Tobago

British American Tobacco, Plc

C.I. Traders Limited

Gallaher Group Plc

Imperial Tobacco Group Plc

Molins Plc

United Kingdom

United Kingdom

United Kingdom

United Kingdom

United Kingdom

British American Tobacco (Zambia) Plc Zambia

British American Tobacco Zimbabwe Holdings Limited Zimbabwe